

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the subject application are respectfully requested.

Nearly all of the pending claims are allowed or are indicated as allowable. Applicants agree that the combination of features recited in each of the independent claims is patentable. To the extent that the Examiner's reasons for allowance are inconsistent with or add additional limitations to the claims, Applicants respectfully disagree because the claims define the invention.

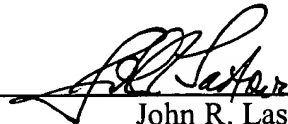
Rejected claims 3, 15, and 43 are canceled. Claim 34 incorporates the allowable subject matter of claim 35.

The application is in condition for allowance. An early notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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